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Subject: Eurojust's intention to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a cooperation agreement with Frontex

1. By letter of 8 November 2018 (see the [Annex](#)), the President of Eurojust informed the Council about Eurojust's intention to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a cooperation agreement with Frontex, in application of point (c) of Article 26(1) of Council Decision 2002/187/JHA of 28 February 2002 setting up Eurojust, as last amended by Council Decision 2009/426/JHA of 16 December 2008.
2. In accordance with Article 26(2) of that Decision, following such information (notification) *'the Council may draw any conclusions it deems appropriate'*.
3. In this light, the said letter was put up for discussion with the Member States at the JAIEX meeting on 3 December 2018. No comments were presented by Member States.
4. Subject to confirmation by Coreper, the Council is invited to take note of Eurojust's intention to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a cooperation agreement with Frontex.



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To the attention of the President of the JHA Council of the EU
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The Hague, 8 November 2018

Eurojust's intention to enter into negotiations with a view to concluding a cooperation agreement with Frontex

Dear Minister Moser,

In accordance with Article 26(1)(c) of the Council Decision of 28 February 2002 setting up Eurojust, as last amended by Council Decision 2009/426/JHA of 16 December 2008, I am pleased to inform you that Eurojust envisages instituting formal negotiations by February 2019 of a cooperation agreement with Frontex.

This step follows the decision taken on 6 November 2018 by the College of Eurojust to initiate formal negotiations with Frontex with a view to concluding a cooperation agreement to enhance cooperation in the fight against migrant smuggling and other serious crimes.

We look forward to receiving the conclusions the Council might deem appropriate in this respect.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Hamran'.

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President of Eurojust